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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTING THE VETERANS' PRIORITY PROVISIONS

(PL 107-288)

The purpose of this bulletin is to advise you of the Training and Guidance Letter (TEGL) 5-03 regarding implementing of the Veterans' Priority Provisions of the "Jobs for Veterans Act" (PL 107-288). The TEGL provides you with general guidance regarding the implementation of the veterans' priority and how this priority will affect current business practices.

There are 20 Department of Labor (DOL) funded workforce programs that are covered under Section 4215 of the Jobs for Veterans Act. For many of DOL affected programs, there is little difficulty in implementation. However, in a few cases the veteran's priority will compete with existing statutory priorities that favor certain population groups. For our purposes this includes the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funded Adult and Youth programs and the Welfare-to-Work programs.

Individual guidance will be issued separately for each affected Employment and Training Administration program. For WIA, this TEGL is applicable to operations under current law. When the WIA reauthorization is complete, the veterans' priority guidance will be updated.

The TEGL 5-03 is available on the Internet at wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL5-03.html.

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